UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

THE CONTINENTAL INSURANCE COMPANY, successor by merger to Commercial Insurance Company of Newark, New Jersey, and Firemen's Insurance Company of Newark, New Jersey,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

v.

DIOCESE OF ROCHESTER,

Defendant-Appellee,

and

OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS,

Intervenor-Appellee.

District Court Case No. 6:24-cv-06621-CJS

Appeal from Bankruptcy Adv. Proc. No. 23-2014-PRW

APPELLEE'S RESPONSE TO APPELLANT'S EMERGENCY *EX PARTE* MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE ITS OPENING BRIEF ON APPEAL

Appellee, the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors in the bankruptcy case of The Diocese of Rochester (Case No. 19-20905-PRW) submits this Response to *Appellant's Ex Parte Motion for Extension of Time to File Its Opening Brief on Appeal* and respectfully submits as follows.

- 1. Appellant's Notice of Appeal was filed on October 21, 2024 [Bankr. Adv. Proc. 23-2014, Docket No. 96]. Thus, by the time the Appellant's opening brief is due, Appellant will have had effectively sixty days to prepare its brief.
- 2. Appellee was and remains concerned about delay in the proceedings in the bankruptcy case as result of this appeal. The Diocese of Rochester recently filed a revised plan and disclosure statement in its bankruptcy case, and Appellee is concerned of the potential delay to the confirmation -1 -

process while this appeal is outstanding.

3. Appellee believes that a twenty day extension for the Appellant to file its brief -January 15, 2025, in light of the holidays, is reasonable under the circumstances. However, if this
Court is inclined to grant a further extension the Appellee's will not offer any opposition to it.

Dated: December 17, 2024 Respectfully submitted,

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